

REMARKS

Applicant submits this amendment simultaneously with a response to the Restriction Requirement made September 10, 2003. The claims as amended are believed to be in condition for allowance. A prompt indication of the same respectfully is requested. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned if any issues remain that may be resolved by a telephonic interview.

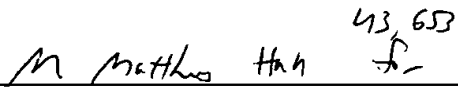
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